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**EVENT: Indictment** 

DEFENDANT: David Miller, 47, Oak Park, Michigan

## OAK PARK MAN INDICTED FOR MAKING FALSE CLAIMS WITH THE IRS

David Miller was arraigned on April 14, 2005, as the result of a March 22, 2005, indictment charging him with 23 counts of making a false claim for refund with the Internal Revenue Service.

According to the indictment, during 2001 through April 2003, Mr. Miller knowingly prepared false federal income tax returns for himself and nine other individuals. These returns, which were sent to the Internal Revenue Service, claimed over \$218,000 in fraudulent refunds.

Maurice Aouate, Special Agent in Charge, Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation, stated, "The IRS aggressively pursues all cases involving fraudulent claims for refunds.

Taxpayers should be aware that they are ultimately responsible for the accuracy and truthfulness of their return, no matter who prepares it."

Stephen J. Murphy, U. S. Attorney commended the special agents of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation. Assistant United States Attorney Jeanine M. Jones is

prosecuting the case.

An indictment is only a charge and not evidence of guilt. The defendant is entitled to a fair trial in which it will be the government's burden to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.